



Brownfields 2017 Assessment Grant Fact Sheet

Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation, MI

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Assessment Grant

\$433,600 for hazardous substances

\$166,400 for petroleum

EPA has selected the Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation for a brownfields assessment coalition grant. Community-wide hazardous substances grant funds will be used to conduct 17 Phase I and 11 Phase II environmental site assessments. Community-wide petroleum grant funds will be used to conduct seven Phase I and four Phase II environmental site assessments. Grant funds of both types also will be used to create and maintain a brownfields inventory that will result in the identification of an estimated 60 sites; prioritize sites; prepare six cleanup plans; and support community engagement activities, including five kickoff and 24 stakeholder meetings. Assessment activities will focus on the communities of Caro, Harbor Beach, Marlette, Sebewaing, and Vassar. Coalition partners are Huron and Sanilac Counties.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (<http://www.epa.gov/brownfields>).

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